

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

FIRE DEPARTMENT

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October 12, 2010

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS PERTAINING TO THE CALL FIREFIGHTER PROGRAMS FOR THE CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY (ALL DISTRICTS) 3 VOTES

SUBJECT

In order to implement a call firefighter program in the Corral Canyon community in Malibu, the Consolidated Fire Protection District (Fire District) needs to enter into agreement(s) to have an apparatus placed within the community so that it can be quickly accessed by call firefighters responding to fire and rescue emergencies. This action will delegate authority to the Fire Chief of the District to enter into any necessary agreements with public or private parties for use and maintenance of equipment and facilities for the call firefighter program, upon approval as to form by County Counsel.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD, ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY:

1. Delegate authority to the Fire Chief of the District to enter into agreements, upon approval as to form by County Counsel, with public or private parties that authorize the Fire District to use, maintain, outfit, repair, and fuel equipment and facilities that are provided for Fire District use at a nominal or no cost to the Fire District, to be utilized by the Fire District to establish and/or maintain the call firefighter program in Corral Canyon.

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PURPOSE / JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Fire District has implemented call firefighter programs in sparsely populated, outlying geographic areas that are difficult for firefighters at staffed fire stations to reach quickly. Under a call firefighter program, individuals living in the community are trained to provide semi-volunteer emergency fire and rescue services.

The Corral Canyon community in Malibu is located in such an area that it is difficult for District resources from the closest fully staffed fire station to reach quickly. The Corral Canyon community has expressed interest in establishing a call firefighter program to serve this area. However, in order to implement a call firefighter program, the District needs apparatus placed in the community so that it can be quickly accessed by call firefighters responding to fire and rescue service emergencies. Authorizing the Fire Chief to enter into agreements with public or private parties for use and maintenance of equipment and facilities will help to establish a call firefighter program in the Corral Canyon area.

IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provision of Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3) and the implementation of a call firefighter program in Corral Canyon will improve the quality of life for the residents of the County.

FISCAL IMPACTS / FINANCING

There is no fiscal impact.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS / LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

This action will authorize the Fire Chief of the District to enter into necessary agreements, upon approval as to form by County Counsel, with public or private parties for use of equipment and facilities to establish a call firefighter programs in rural communities within the District.

IMPACTS ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The recommended action will increase the ability of the Fire District to form a call firefighter program in Corral Canyon with the goal of establishing a cadre of semi-volunteers trained to aid in emergency fire and rescue services.

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CONCLUSION

It is requested that the Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors, return one adopted, stamped copy of this letter to: the Fire District's Planning Division Office at 1320 N. Eastern Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90063.

Respectfully submitted

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